APS Circuit Sales
Category Problem Areas*
for Counterfeits, Fakes, Reprints and Misidentifications

Country	Scott Catalogue #	Problems
Afghanistan	1-286	Forgeries, fake cancels, reprints and many are misidentified.
Albania	1-140	Forgeries, fake cancels, reprints and many are misidentified.
Argentina	1-121	Forgeries, unofficial reprints, fake overprints, misidentifications.
Argentine Provinces	Buenos Aires, Cordoba, Corrientes	Forgeries, reprints
Australia	1-76 and 113-129	Misidentifications because watermarks are not noted.
Australian States		Forgeries and watermark identifications problems
Austria	1-46 and 86-105	1-46 --Forgeries and reprints and 86-105a have varnish bar differences
Batum	1-63	Forgeries and fake overprints
Belgium	1-75, 222-224, B1-B47, O1-O25, P1-P40	Forgeries and fake overprints
Bolivia	1-59	Forgeries and fake overprints (40-46 oval cancels w/ heavy bars are suspect)
Brazil	1-67	Forgeries and misidentifications
Bulgaria	1-27, 43-46, 70-72	Forgeries and misidentifications
Burma	1N1-1N49, 1NO1 and 2N41-2N50	Forged or fake Peacock Overprints (Japanese Occupation) -- 2N's for forgeries
Bushire		Fake overprints
Canada	1-40, coils	Forgeries, misidentifications and fake coils
Canadian Provinces		Forgeries and misidentifications
Cape of Good Hope	Triangles	Forgeries and misidentifications
Ceylon	1-121	Forgeries, fake overprints and watermark/perf. misidentifications
Chile	1-50	Forgeries, fake overprints and watermark misidentifications
China	1-72	Forgeries, fake overprints and Province-overprints, and misidentifications
China (PRC)	Early issues	Reprints
Colombia	1-69	Forgeries, reprints and forgeries of official reprints - also with the States
Cook Island	1-8	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
Costa Rica	1-15 and Guanacaste overprints	Fake overprints
Crete	1-46	Forgeries
Cyprus	1-37	Forgeries, fake overprints and fake Cyprus numeral cancels on Great Britain stamps
Czechoslovakia	B1-B123 & C1-C9	Fake overprints of 1919
Danish West Indies	1-28	Normal vs. inverted frame misidentifications
Danzig		Fake overprints
Denmark	1-24	Normal vs. inverted frame misidentifications
Dominican Republic	1-87 & 111-119	Forgeries
Ecuador	1-54 & 63-69	Forgeries, fake overprints and Seebeck overprints
Egypt	1-27, J10-14	Forgeries
Estonia		Forgeries, fake overprints and reprints to 1945
Ethiopia	1-86, 120-134	Forgeries, reprints and fake overprints
Fiji	1-91	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
Finland	1-58	Forgeries and #46-58 confused with Russia stamps of same design
Fiume	all	Forgeries

France	1-108	Forgeries and misidentifications
French Colonies	up to early 20th century	Forgeries
Gambia	1-66	Forgeries
German States		Forgeries and misidentifications
Germany	1-336 and Zepps.	Fake cancels and misidentifications of small/large shields and watermarks
Gibraltar	1-28, 39-64	Fake overprints and watermark misidentifications
Gilbert & Ellice Is	1-31	Fake overprints and watermark, die-type or paper misidentifications
Great Britain	1-95, 173-181	Misidentifications of watermarks, design size, paper and perforations
Greece	1-128, RA45-RA46	Forgeries and misidentifications
Grenada	1-19	Forgeries
Guatemala	1-20	Forgeries
Haiti	1-308	Forgeries and fake overprints
Heligoland	Anything	Forgeries and reprints
Honduras	1-29 & 95-110	Forgeries and fake overprints
Hong Kong	1-146	Forgeries, misidentifications of paper varieties, surcharges and watermarks
Hungary	1-12, 311-330, J70-75	Forgeries, fake overprints and misidentifications
Iceland	1-68	Forgeries, reprints and misidentifications
India	Classics & States	Forgeries
Iran	up to 1940	Forgeries, fake overprints and reprints
Ireland	1-79 & 106-151	Watermark misidentifications
Italian Colonies		Fake overprints
Italian States		Forgeries and reprints
Italy	1-46	Forgeries
Jamaica	1-12 & 33-54	Forgeries and watermark indentifications
Japan	1-71	Forgeries
Karelia	all	Forgeries
Korea	1-38	Forgeries
Labuan	1-32	Forgeries, watermark misidentifications and fiscal or revenue cancels
Lagos	1-59	Forgeries and watermarkmisindentifications
Latvia	up to 1940	Forgeries
Lebanon	108-300, airmails 1940-1953	Forgeries
Leward Island	1-82	Forgeries, fake overprints, watermark misidentifications and paper types
Liberia	1-33	Forgeries and CTO's
Lithuania	up to 1940	Forgeries
Luxembourg	1-47	Forgeries and misidentifications
Malaya States		Watermarks and fiscal cancels
Malta	1-7, 49-90	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
Mauritus	1-90	Forgeries, fake overprints and watermark misidentifications
Memel		Forgeries
Mesopotamia		Fake overprints
Mexico	1-607	Forgeries and misidentifications
Mongolia	1-61	Forgeries
Montenegro	1-56	Forgeries and misidentifications
Natal	Early Issues	Forgeries and forged overprints
Nepal	Early Issues	Telegraph Cancels (crescent shaped cancels)
Netherlands	1-54	Forgeries and CTO's on B1-3

Netherlands Colonies	Classics	Forgeries
New Zealand	1-49	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
Nicaragua	1-348 & BOB	Forgeries and Seebecks reprints
North Borneo	1-58	Forgeries, forged overprints and fiscal cancels
Norway	1-63	Forgeries and misidentifications
Panama	1-196	Forgeries and early Canal Zone overprints
Paraguay	1-19, C1-C106	Forgeries
Peru	1-128	Forgeries and forged overprints
Philippines	1-240	Forgeries
Poland	1-60 & 72-76	Forgeries
Portugal	1-96	Forgeries and reprints
Portuguese Colonies	to 1927	Forgeries and reprints
Romania	1-47, 158-165, B1-B12, J1-J6	Forgeries
Russia	1-40 & 265-272	Forgeries
Russian Republics, Offices and Occupations		Forgeries
Saar	1-116	Forgeries
Salvador	1-351 and back of the book issues	Forgeries and Seebeck reprints
Samoa	1-109	Forgeries and reprints
Saudi Arabia	to 1927	Forgeries
Serbia	1-129	Forgeries
Seychelles	1-114	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
Solomon Island	1-7 & 19-56	Forgeries and watermark/paper misidentifications
Somali Coast	1-63	Forgeries and printer's waste (inverted centers)
South Africa	2-67	Misidentifications
Spain	1-210 & 314	Forgeries
Spanish Colonies	Early Issues	Forgeries
St. Helena	1-47	Forgeries and remainder cancels (#34-47)
St. Lucia	1-42	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
St. Vincent	1-60	Forgeries
Sweden	1-38 (#17-27 perf 14, #28-38 perf 13)	Forgeries and misidentifications
Switzerland	1-97	Forgeries and White vs Granite paper
Tahiti	Early Issues	Forgeries and forged overprints
Thailand	1-184 & B1-34	Forgeries and overprint misidentifications
Tibet	all	Forgeries and paper type misidentifications
Tonga	1-86	Forgeries and watermark misidentifications
Transvaal	#1-251	Forgeries and forged overprints
Trieste	Italian and Yugoslavian	Forgeries
Trinidad	Early Issues	Forgeries
Turkey	1-100	Forgeries and overprint misidentifications
Turkey in Asia		Overprints that leech through paper are questionable
Turks Islands		Forgeries
Uganda	1-68	Forgeries
Ukraine	pre-Soviet Union	Forgeries
United States	#1-293 and Washington/Franklins	Misidentifications, perf. alterations and regumming
Uruguay	1-176, C1-C105	Forgeries and forged overprints
Vatican City	#35-40	Forged surcharges

Venezuela	1-141 and Guyana locals	Forgeries
Virgin Islands		Forgeries
Yugoslavia	1L, 2L and 3L numbers	Forged overprints
Zanzibar	#1-37	Forged overprints and watermark or overprint misidentifications
Zululand	1-13	Forged overprints

***These are the common mistakes and problems we see when working with the Sales Division sales books.**

The problems noted do not necessarily apply to all of the stamps in the Scott's Catalogue number range. If your particular collecting interest was not listed in this column during these last eight months, we have not had many problems with the material submitted to us in that area.

'Forgery' is used to indicate stamps produced to defraud collectors and/or stamp-issuing governments.

'Fake' is used to indicate the alteration of a genuine stamp to make it appear as something else.